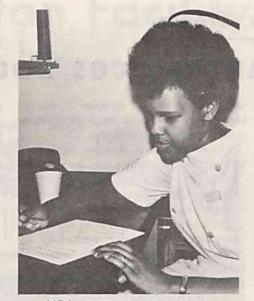


MRS. EDNA WATKINS



MISS NANCY BURRIS



MRS. JACQUELINE HICKS



MISS GLORIA STEVENS

Four Nurses Promoted

Four Duke nurses have received promotions within the hospital's nursing service. Announcement of the promotions came from Mrs. Verna Sticht, acting director for

nursing service. Miss Nancy Burris, R.N., has been appointed supervisor of the Recovery Room and the Acute Care Unit. She will continue to perform her duties as supervisor of the Neurosurgical Unit.

Miss Burris replaces Miss Doris Haase, R.N., who has been acting supervisor of the Recovery Room and ACU. Miss Haase is returning to her post as clinical specialist in cardiovascular surgery.

Mrs. Jacqueline Hicks, R.N., formerly a staff nurse, has been named head nurse on Third East ward.

Miss Gloria Stevens, R.N., head nurse on Howland ward, has become clinical supervisor for pediatric nursing. Miss Diane Burke, R.N., remains director for pediatric nursing.

Mrs. Edna Watkins, R.N., a graduate of Watts Hospital School of Nursing in Durham, has been appointed clinicial supervisor for surgical specialties including Welch, Holmes, and Strudwick wards. She replaces Miss Julia Taylor, R.N., who has been acting supervisor and will return to her position as head nurse on Strudwick ward.

HAP Grad Appointed by County

Thomas R. Howerton, a 1948 graduate of the Medical Center's Program in Hospital Administration, has been chosen administrator of the proposed Durham County Hospital.

Mr. Howerton, a Durham native, is presently administrator of Wilson Memorial Hospital in Wilson, N.C., and a clinical instructor in the Duke Hospital Administration Program.

His selection to the new post was announced in March by H. Spurgeon Boyce, chairman of the Durham Hospital Commission, and J. Frank Jarman, chairman of the search committee.

The new \$20 million Durham Hospital is scheduled to be built on land formerly

occupied by the County Home on North Roxboro Road.

Mr. Howerton attended Durham city schools and received an A.B. degree from Duke in 1943 before completing the hospital administration program at the Medical Center.

He served as administrator at Moore Memorial Hospital in Pinehurst from 1951 to 1961 when he moved to Wilson.

Mr. Howerton is president of the North Carolina Hospital Association and a fellow in the American College of Hospital Administrators. In 1968 he served as president of the Carolinas-Virginias Hospital Association.

2 Credit Cards Now Accepted for Payment

Two credit cards have been authorized for use in payment of hospital bills at Duke Hospital.

In March Duke began accepting Master Charge and BankAmericard for inpatient bills within the limit agreed to between the card holder and his banking agency. Both cards also may be used to pay for emergency room visits at the hospital.

In announcing the policy, Dr. Stuart M. Sessoms, hospital director, said it was adopted primarily as a convenience to patients. The credit card system for handling bills is being used successfully in hospitals elsewhere, he said.